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SUBJ: WOULD WINSTON CHURCHILL HAVE SUPPORTED CERDS?

1. A STATUE OF WINSTON CHURCHILL WAS UNVEILED ON APRIL 17 NOT FAR FROM HISTORIC CHAPULTEPEC CASTLE. THE CEREMONY WAS ATTENDED BY PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA, FONSEC RABASA, SIR CHRISTOPHER AND LADY MARY SOAMES (CHURCHILL'S DAUGHTER), COMMONWEALTH AMBASSADORS AND OTHERS.

2. MEXICAN ORATORS INCLUDED LIC. ANTONIO ARMENDARIZ (FORMER BANK OFFICIAL AND FORMER AMBASSADOR TO U.K.) AND, REPRESENTING THREE BRANCHES OF GOM, LIC. ENRIQUE SOTO IZQUIERDO. BOTH ADDRESSED THIRD WORLD THEMES. ARMENDARIZ POINTEDLY REFERRED TO THE UK'S NEGATIVE VOTE ON ECHEVERRIA'S PRIZED CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES (CERDS), SUGGESTED THAT CHURCHILL WOULD HAVE SUPPORTED CERDS, AND, REFERRING TO RECENT VISIT OF QUEEN ELIZABETH, ARGUED THAT MEXICO HAD A "RIGHT" TO EXPECT UK SUPPORT FOR CERDS. SOTO IZQUIERDO, PRAISING CHURCHILL'S LEADERSHIP IN WORLD WAR II, WARNED THAT "NAZI-FACISM" REMAINS ALIVE AND WELL. BOTH SPEAKERS TOOK DIGS AT THE U.S. (BY NAME); THESE REFERENCES WERE NOT, HOWEVER, REPORTED IN PRESS COVERAGE ON APRIL 18.

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3. COMMENT: ONCE AGAIN, MEXICANS HAVE DEMONSTRATED THAT NO

OCCASION IS TOO LARGE OR TOO SMALL, TOO SOLEMN OR TOO UN-RELATED, TO RULE OUT A HARD-SELL SPIELON CERDS. THE CRITICISM OF THE U.S. SEEMED TO A GOOD MANY OBSERVERS IN QUESTIONABLE TASTE. LADY MARY SOAMES TOOK PAINS TO SEEK OUT U.S. REP (MINISTER) FOLLOWING CEREMONY. SHE SAID SHE WAS SHOCKED AT "SWIPES" TAKEN "AT YOUR GREAT COUNTRY". AS GRANDDAUGHTER OF AN AMERICAN AND DAUGHTER OF HONORARY AMERICAN CITIZEN, SHE RESENTED ANTI-U.S. ALLUSIONS AND WAS SURE HER FATHER WOULD HAVE FELT THE SAME.
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